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OF POLARIZATION-MAINTAINING OPTICAL FIBERS AND FOR CONNECTING POLARIZATION-
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 37 C.F.R. 1.97, and 37 C.F.R. 1.98, Applicants request that a citation and examination of the references cited below, and on the attached PTO-1449 form, copies of which are enclosed, be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States patent.

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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02-196204	August 2, 1990	Japan
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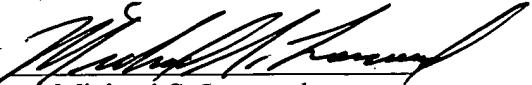
English language abstracts are enclosed for both of the Japanese references. Applicants look forward to early and favorable consideration of this matter.

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